Review of ZY and Z plus category security

†370. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether ZY and Z plus category security has been reviewed recently;

(b) if so, the number of people in such category;

(c) the amount spent on each category during the last five years, year-wise; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to reduce the said expenditure?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) The list of protectees in Z plus, Z & Y category security is reviwed periodically with reference to changes in the level of threat. It is a continuous process. At present there are 245 protectees in these categories.

(c) and (d) The List of protectees, after periodical review is being continuously pruned to reduce expenditure on their security. The amount spent on each category cannot be precisely determined as it involves expenditure on security staff, communication, their training, vehicles and overall supervision etc.

Law and Order situation in Manipur

371. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the law and order situation has deteriorated to the extent in Manipur that militants barge into DC's office and force him to sign cheques at gun point;

(b) if so, the steps that are being taken to improve law and order situation in Manipur; and

(c) whether Central Government have formed any special task force to help State Government to contain activities of ultras there?

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) In one incident in November, 2000, NSCN(I/M) cadres snatched an amount of Rs. 44,78,031/- at gun point from Deputy Commissioner, Chandel out of DRDA funds.

(b) and (c) Law and Order situation in Manipur is a cause of concern. An action plan has been prepared to deal with militancy situation and improvement of administration in Manipur. Central Government has formulated a special scheme for modernisation of police forces in North-Eastern States. Under the Scheme, vehicles, communication equipments, arms and ammunition and other security related items are provided in kind. Under the scheme of reimbursement of 'Security Related Expenditure', expenditure incurred by State Government on security is reimbursed by the Central Government. Other steps taken by Government, *inter alia* includes deployment of Central Para Military Forces and Army, improved coordination and sharing of intelligence between the security forces, declaration major militant organisations as "Unlawful Association" and declaration of most seriously affected areas as "Disturbed Areas".

Arrest of ISI agents

372. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of suspected ISI agents and their local contacts arrested during the last two years;

(b) whether it is a fact that U.P., Delhi, Maharashtra and Bihar have become convenient haven for ISI activities; and

(c) how Central Government is helping these States/Union Territories to flush out suspected ISI agents and nab their local contacts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) The Government is aware that ISI of Pakistan is involved in aiding, abetting and supporting terrorism in various parts of the country. Activities of Pak ISI have been noticed in various parts of